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Come be part of the documentation of a historically significant landmark in its transformation!

You are invited to participate in the first:
Wet Dry Paint-Off Auction
to benefit the renovation of the Provincetown Public Library.

July 11, 2009
Provincetown Public library, 356 Commercial Street, Provincetown 508.487.7094
wetdryauction@gmail.com

The Subject of the Paintings and other Art

The subject of all the work is the Provincetown Public Library. You may paint any angle of the Library of part thereof from any vantage point. Artists may submit drawings, paintings, watercolors, mixed media, or sculpture.

Artists must sign in on **July 11th between 8-10AM in the Library**. There are two parts to the Paint-Off Auction you can participate in:

1. The Silent Auction - Dry Pieces

This part of the auction will be held in the Library 10:00AM to 2:00PM for pieces of the library building that are dry – they have been done in advance.

Requirements:

These should be small works approximately no larger than 320 square inches including the frame which could be 16"x20" or smaller. All pieces must be suitably **framed** and ready to hang with **wires attached to the back**. Artists should also attach to the back of the work - **a short bio**, with an extra copy for the library and a **business card**. Bring extras to pass out to passers by if you are also doing a wet painting. See below for **required 2 pieces of cardboard**. The minimum bid set for all dry silent auction pieces is \$100.

2. The Wet Auction Requirements:

All Wet entries must be returned to the library by **3:00PM**

The maximum size is 36" X 36" – no more than 40lbs max so it can be handled by one person.

Bring your own easels, drop cloths, sun protection and weights in case of wind. Ask a librarian for a list of decks that the community may make available for your use. Sculptors are encouraged to bring their own pedestals.

A. For BOTH Wet and Dry Pieces:

All Pieces must be signed! Bring cardboard and frame and wire and or boxes for sculptural pieces.

Also, artists must bring **2 pieces of cardboard** for each piece cut slightly larger than the completed piece in the frame. These must be submitted with your piece. Please put your name, title of the piece and size of the piece on this cardboard. These will be used to protect your piece before hanging and used to package your piece before being sold at the end of the day.

Each artist must take care to properly and safely **frame and wire** his/her piece. Please be sure to bring a frame and wire and hanging devices for your wet pieces as well as the dry pieces. All artists are responsible for framing their own pieces before submitting them. For "OILS", please be sure that we can handle the piece by the frame without doing damage to the wet painting as we shuttle paintings during the auction process.

B. Permission to photograph

The Library will digitally photograph each piece as it is received, so there will be an archive of the event. The Library will ask your permission to use the image for promotional and fundraising purposes for the library. You the artist will be given credit, which will serve as good public relations and provide a promotional advantage, but you may decline if you so choose to.

C. Artists will receive 50% of the selling price. Artists will determine the minimum bid for the Wet Auction at the end of the day. (\$100 minimum bid for the silent auction). Any artist may donate back his/her 50% or any portion thereof to the Library, which we will appreciate.

The Library will not be held responsible for the damage or loss to your pieces while they are on the premises of the Library.

D. Can't Be Present on the Day of the Auction

If you wish to participate but cannot be present on the date of the dry auction, please contact the Library for information for the advance drop off of dry pieces. You will be given a registration slip at that time. Remember to frame and wire your piece and your 2 pieces of cardboard to protect your piece while being stored.

E. Parking and Amenities

Artists will have access to the rest rooms in the library – but you are asked not to pour any solvents or dirty water from watercolors or acrylics down the sinks.

Please use the municipal parking lots as there is limited parking on the street around the library. Directly across the street there is a coffee shop, a sandwich shop and an ice cream shop, so amenities are easily accessible.

F. Trash Removal

Please bring sufficient lidded receptacles with you for your solvents. Kindly remove your oily rags, paper towels, etc. at the end of the day.

G. If you have any questions email us at: wetdryauctionppl@gmail.com

Thank you and please talk up the event and email your collectors to let them know you will be participating in our Wet Dry Auction!

The Dry Silent Auction will run from **10AM to 2:00PM**.

The Wet Auction will **start at 4:30PM for a pre-showing, actual auction 5:00PM to 7:00PM**

We all look forward to an enjoyable and profitable day!

Thank you,

The Provincetown Public Library and **Pat Bruno, Artist Consultant - wetdryauction@gmail.com**

